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Office Action Summary	Application No. 10/785,510	Applicant(s) TAUBER ET AL.	
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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 5/31/2005.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-80 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) 1-47 and 49-79 is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 48 and 80 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
 Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
 Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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| 1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) | 4) <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413) |
| 2) <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) | Paper No(s)/Mail Date: _____ |
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DETAILED ACTION

Claim Objections

1. Claims 1-47 and 49-79 are objected to because of the following informalities: No restriction was made and the claims should be cancelled if applicant does not want them considered. Appropriate correction is required.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

1. The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

2. Claims 48 and 80 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Fresenko et al in view of Gallagher et al (U.S. 4,962,086).
3. Gallagher teaches a copper oxide layer disposed on a single crystal substrate (column 10 line 25-30). The substrate having a low dielectric constant and losses (column 4 line 27-34) and is favorable for use with high T_c superconductors (column 3 line 35-40). However the reference is silent as to the use of a substrate with the formula Sr₂LuSbO₆.
4. Fresenko teaches a cubic oxide substrate that has the formula Sr₂LuSbO₆ (table 1) and *perovskite* with Sb⁺⁵ ions occupying part of the octahedral position (page 5). The substrate is shown to be stable at high temperatures (requiring two firings to get its

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cubic structure and high phase change temperature) (page 4). Since the substrate taught is the same as the claimed structure the structure would be expected to possess the same intrinsic properties as those claimed by applicant.

5. Therefore it would have been obvious at the time of the invention to modify Gallagher by substituting the substrate of Fresenko because both are meant for high temperature superconductor applications and Fresco is taught to be an effective substrate at high temperatures.

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Daniel Miller whose telephone number is (571) 272-1534. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F.


If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Deborah Jones can be reached on (571) 272-1535. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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